## GUIDE TO THE SD9 JIVARO FILE

[The SD9 Jivaro file includes data on the Jivaran-speaking Aguaruna, Bracamoro, Jivaro and Palta tribes, who live in the tropical rain forest on the eastern slopes of the Ecuadorean Andes. While hunting and fishing form an important part of their subsistence base, they depend primarily on horticulture, done largely by the women. They live in communities formed by a single extended families with an independent family head, all living in a single dwelling. Residence is matrilocal and polygyny is common. They are famous for their shrunken headhunting trophies.

The Jivaro file contains 34 sources, four of which (5, 25, 29, 30) are translations from the Spanish, four (6, 12, 13, 22) are translations from the French, and three (26, 28 and 33) are translations from the German. While there are a large number of sources in the file, according to most recent investigators the quality of the earlier sources is very questionable. Probably the only reliable material is contained in the publications of Stirling (2: Stirling) and Harner (32: Harner and 34: Harner). For a general characterization of the material see 34: Harner, and Category 114. As a result, the Jivaro file is of restricted utility to researchers. However, carefully used, much information can be gleaned from the sources and sources, and 2, 32, and 34 seem generally reliable. Since part of the file was processed before the publication of the Outline of World Cultures, many of the file slips do not have the OWC alphanumeric codes. The file was proccessed between 1950 and 1974.]